

L. N. FARRIS ENTERS ARMY AIR SCHOOL

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, May 24—Pfc. L. N. Farris, 25, of Enterprise, Ala., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Farris, of Enterprise, has arrived at Coe College for course of Army Air Force instruction lasting approximately five months prior to his appointment as an Aviation Cadet in the Army Air Forces. During this period he will take numerous academic courses as well as elementary flying training. Upon completion of the course he will be classified as a pilot, navigator or bombardier and go on to schools of the Flying Training Command for training in these specialties.

GRAVE YARD WORKING

There will be a grave yard working at White Water Church, Saturday June 5. All persons interested are urged to come and bring tools and join in the work. Frances Maddox.

Misses Catherine and Jeanne Brunson returned on Tuesday from Judson College to spend the summer with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brunson. They have as their guests, Misses Carolyn Gaston, of Mobile, and Carolyn Biggs, of Parkersburg, W. Va.

Miss Nettie Flournoy, who has been teaching in Thomaston, returned to Elba last week for the summer.

Mr. Willie Ben Lee and daughter Miss Henrietta, of Mobile, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Lee, during the week-end.

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The Elba Clipper

Classified Advertising

If you want to buy, sell, swap, rent or locate lost property, try an adv. in this column.

FOR SALE—30-horse Johnson Motor in splendid condition. See J. W. English or Hayes Hardware, Elba.

NOTICE—Want man to wash and grease cars, fix flats. Order Biddies now for June 24 or later delivery. Shoe orders taken now on No. 18 ticket. L. N. Heath.

TOMATOES for Canning

Will have a large quantity of tomatoes about July 1 at reasonable price. Also want to buy a can sealer. C. C. Dickinson at Pete Talbot boat, Elba, Rt. 1.

FOR SALE—Full size ice refrigerator, 4 ft. crosscut saw, cook stove, 2 scooters, shovels, lock bolt, clevises, glass kerosene lamp. See C. B. McDowell at Clipper office.

PIANO BARGAINS—It is seldom that we, or any other firm, can offer a used Stouffer Grand for sale. We have a beautiful 5 ft. 7 in., Steinway which we will sell at a reduction of \$350.00. Also four beautiful upright pianos, completely reconditioned throughout in our factory shop, and are perfect musical instruments which will give many years of satisfactory musical service. Here are a sample:

A. B. Bryant—Mahogany case, \$180.00.
Shroeder & Sons—Mahogany case, \$165.00.
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Any one in this vicinity, interested in a fine grand piano, or upright, write, wire or phone.

B. B. Reeves Piano Co., 103 Commerce St., Montgomery, Alabama. JS-10-17

Rev. O. M. Fox, Mr. W. T. Whitman, Mrs. W. C. McTyeire and Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Hawkins were visitors to Montgomery last Thursday.

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MRS. CROCKER HEARS FROM SON IN HAWAII

Mrs. Emma Crocker and daughter, Jean, were made orphans in Hawaii, where they received a letter from her. Jeter underwent an operation on May 12, and is still in the hospital, but hopes to be out in a few days. He stated that he does not hear from the States very often, but was glad to learn that his cousin, Johnnie C. B. Rudd, had recently been on furlough and visited his mother and his friends. He is looking forward to the time when he will be able to visit folk back home.

CULLING FARM FLOCK INCREASES EGG OUTPUT

Auburn, Ala.—Removing non-producers is one of the most effective ways of maintaining high egg production and making the farm flock profitable, says John Ivey, extension poultryman, A. P. I.

Culling reduces feed cost and increases production. Culling of poultry of every age should be a continuous process because diseased, crippled or otherwise unprofitable birds should be removed from the flock as they are detected. At least once each year and possibly twice the entire flock should be caught and culled systematically. The best times for these cullings are (1) January and February when egg prices drop considerably, and (2) August to October when mature hens are mostly out of production and one must make room for a new pullet crop.

FARMERS URGED TO SAVE CLOVER SEED

Auburn, Ala.—Farmers with white and top clovers can increase their acreage by allowing them to mature and harvesting the seed, J. C. Lowery, extension agent for the Alabama Extension Service, points out. White clover produces seed throughout the year and summer months but should be harvested when the largest amount of seed is available. This is usually in June, but when the greater part of the heads are brown and dry. Most white clover seed is harvested by cutting with a mower. Seed for home use can be saved by cutting the plants and scattering them over the area to be planted. Lowery declared that top clover is ready to harvest when the seed is mature and before shattering occurs. It can be harvested in the same manner as white clover.

Jimmy Childs has gone to Oneonta for a visit to relatives.

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Thursday, June 3, 1943

THE ELBA THEATRE

WEEKLY PROGRAM

THURSDAY—LAST DAY
"FOOT-LIGHT
SERENADE"
—Starring—
John Payne, Betty Grable

FRIDAY—Double Feature

"GHOST OF
FRANKENSTEIN"
—Starring—
Lonnie Atwell

WESTERN AND SERIAL
Admission 10c and 25c

SATURDAY ALL DAY

"BAD MEN OF THE
HILLS"
—With—
Charles Starrett

Chapter No. 1 "OVERLAND"
Western and Serial
Admission 10c and 20c

SAT. & P. M.—LATE SHOW

"LONDON BLACKOUT
MURDERS"
—Come early—
Admission 10c and 25c

SUNDAY AND MONDAY

"COWBOY IN
MANHATTAN"
—Featuring—
Francis Langford, Bob, Paige

musical comedy
Admission 10c and 25c

TUESDAY ONLY—Borgain Day

"SMITH OF
MINNESOTA"
All Seats 11c

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY

"ORCHESTRA WIVES"
—Starring—
George Montgomery and
Ann Rutherford

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Every Pay Day
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Our Quota

Mrs. Willie Spurlin
CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Willie Spurlin was honored at a barbecue dinner at her home, May 30, by being her 59th birthday. By one took part in preparing the dinner which was enjoyed by all, even though it started raining about the time the table was spread on the lawn. All her children and grandchildren were present.

The guest list included: Mrs. Spurlin, the honoree, Mr. Willie Spurlin, Mr. and Mrs. Seph Spurlin, daughter, Alice, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Dock White and children, J. Nell, Mary, Foy, Loyd and Mrs. J. M. Garrett, Shelby Reeves and children, Louise, Mildred, Johnnie Roy and Maureen, Friends Mrs. Spurlin's orchestra, Cora Bowman and children, Marie Lou, James, Carl and Fred; Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Spurlin, son, and son, Jerry; Mr. Johnnie Price and children, Evelyn and Johnnie Mae; Mrs. Fannie Spurlin, Mr. Charlie Price and Alton.

All departed wishing her many more happy birthdays. —Written by granddaughters, J. Nell White and Louise Reeves.

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Lights of New York

by L. L. STEVENSON

Hamblings and ruminations: A really beautiful and very expensive dress young girl rushing up to and kissing an oldish man who is waiting in front of the Astor . . .

Lesson by six . . . songs each: J. T. Tyler, J. E. Harrison, L. A. Wilks, W. C. Clark, L. N. Heath and M. A. Holmes. Recess.

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WHY WERE THE SAINTS, SAINTS?

By Ruth Taylor
Over my desk I have a motto which is to me a daily reminder of what is needed in these trying times. Let me share it with you:

"Why were the saints, saints? Because they were cheerful when it was difficult to be cheerful; patient when it was difficult to be patient; and because they pushed on when they were tired and weary, and kept silent when they wanted to be disagreeable. That was all. It was just simple and always will be."

The days of the saints are not past. The need for saintly people is greater. The tragedy of defeat brings its own courage for moments of crisis, but the road upon which victory is honeycombed with pitfalls for the unwary. We need now and will need even more when we face the great problems ahead of us before peace is established, leaders and followers who are alike moved by unselfish devotion to the highest ideals.

We will have need of cheerful people, those who can be cheerful when it is difficult to be so, who are more interested in bringing happiness and prosperity to others than in getting what they themselves want.

We will have need of patient people, those who can wait under difficulties, who do not need to rush through to the end, who must have everything happen at once as they want it. We must live now as they think they should.

We will have need of persevering people, those who will push on when they are tired, who will stand still, who will carry through the task before them even when heart and body fail, who do not give up under fire of criticism or complaint.

We will have need of thoughtful people as well as those who know when to talk and when to be still. We will have need of agreeable people, those who are trained in the habit of being kind and courteous even when tempted to be disagreeable. We will have need of self-controlled people, those who will not fall into the traps of hatred to ward any group, whether it be of class or creed or color.

Call them saints if you will, it is that kind of people we will need, that we do need today, and it is the kind of sainthood that is within reach of every one of us. It is a daily task, a daily problem. Try it for one day, and the next, and the next. You may fail every now and then. I do. We all do—but, if we keep on trying, the effort will become a habit and we will find our problems solving themselves.

Why were the saints, saints? Because they kept on living what they believed. It was quite simple and it always will be.

Saudi Arabia is larger than Mexico.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Agnes Carpenter, Complaisant, vs. Emmett Carpenter, Respondent.
Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, in Equity, Elba Division.

To Emmett Carpenter: You will take notice that Agnes Carpenter has filed bill of complaint against you in this Court, you are therefore notified to appear, plead, answer or demur to said bill within the time allowed by law or its allegations will be taken as confessed.

This the 1st day of June, 1943
GLADYS CLARK,
35-10-17-24
Register.

ELBA BOY TO RECEIVE SPECIAL TRAINING

One of the high ranking bluejackets in his recruit training company, Henry Douglas Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jones, Smith Avenue, Elba, Ala., was selected for special training and as a result is now enrolled in the school for Gunners' Mates, at the U. S. Naval Training Station, at Great Lakes, Ill.

He will receive 16 weeks of instruction under supervision of an experienced petty officer. Upon completing the course he will be eligible for promotion to a third class petty officer rating and be assigned to duty with the fleet or at a shore station.

BE GOOD TO GROCER

Editor, The Advertiser:
Consider, now, the retail grocer. He has served the public long and well. But he is in a mess now and if he acts like a crab it isn't his fault.

His routine goes something like this:
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GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY!

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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Lesson for June 13

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LESSON TEXT—II Peter 1:1-11.
GOLDEN TEXT—He hath elected unto us His precious and exceeding great promises; that through these we may become partakers of the divine nature.—II Peter 1:4, 5.

Growth in grace and in knowledge of Christ are as normal and expected of the child of God as bodily growth of the physical child. Tragic as is the failure of one to develop physically, it is even more distressing and in the spiritual realm. Yet it is a common thing in our churches, where only comparatively few believe, even come to full stature in Christ, where more have only a partial growth, and some are forever laboring under the handicap of stunted growth.

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